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For: LIQUID-PERMEABLE COVER	)	
SHEET FOR ABSORBENT ARTICLE	)	

## AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 18, 2003, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1-11 with the following:

1. (Twice Amended) A liquid-permeable cover sheet for an absorbent article, which cover sheet comprises at least a first material layer, wherein a surface of the first material layer essentially consists of polyethylene which has been treated with plasma or corona to obtain a hydrophilic surface, and said surface of the first material layer has an oxygen/carbon ratio which is equal to or higher than 0.23.